



29 May 2020

**IPHC CIRCULAR 2020-013**

**SUBJECT: INTERSESSIONAL DECISIONS (22-29 May 2020)**

Dear Commissioners,

In accordance with Rule 11, paragraphs 4-10 '*Intersessional decision-making*' of the [IPHC Rules of Procedure \(2020\)](#), I am pleased to provide you with the following intersessional Commission decisions for your information. All decisions were adopted by consensus (*In favour=6; Against=0; No response=0*). No further action is required by Commissioners at this time.

The Commission **NOTED** the 2020 FISS deployment and operational plan, and in doing so made the following decisions:

***Revised 2020 IPHC Fishery-Independent Setline Survey (FISS) design and implementation***

IPHC-2020-ID011 The Commission **ENDORSED** the 2020 FISS design provided in [Appendix I](#), which includes 898 stations in a reduced footprint within IPHC Regulatory Areas 2B, 2C, 3A and 3B;

IPHC-2020-ID012 The Commission **RECOMMENDED** that the 2020 FISS commence on or near 1 July 2020, with a completion target of 31 August 2020.

Please consider the date of this IPHC Circular to be the official '*date of notification*' of the decisions detailed above, in accordance with Rule 11, paragraph 10 of the [IPHC Rules of Procedure \(2020\)](#).

Yours sincerely

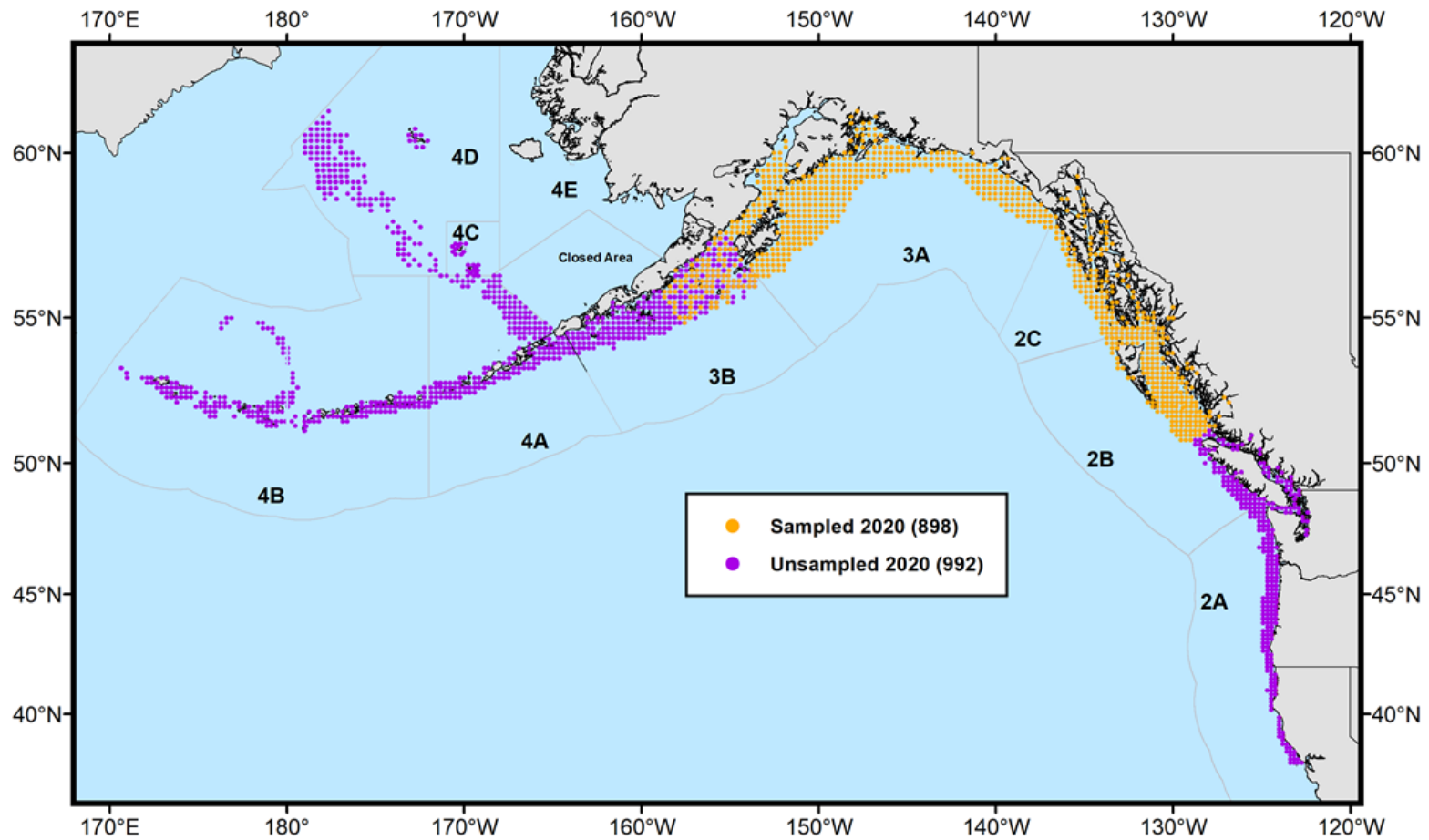
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**APPENDICES**

**Appendix I:** Revised 2020 FISS design



APPENDIX I  
REVISED 2020 IPHC FISHERY-INDEPENDENT SETLINE SURVEY (FISS) DESIGN



Revised 2020 FISS design. Each orange circle represents a FISS station targeted for sampling, while purple circles are stations that will be unsampled in 2020.